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Honorable Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Room 700  
Washington, D. C. 20423

RE: Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 1X), *New York Central Lines, LLC—  
Abandonment Exemption—in Middlesex County, MA*  
~~Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 593X), CSX Transportation, Inc. —Discontinuance  
of Service Exemption—in Middlesex County, MA~~

Dear Secretary Williams:

The Town of Sudbury ("Sudbury") requested a notice of interim trail use/rail banking for approximately a 1.4-mile portion of the line that extends north from the Framingham town line to the intersection of the former Penn Central Transportation Company, in Middlesex County, MA, in the above-entitled proceeding. The current extension of the negotiating period expires on October 7, 2004. CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") has not consummated the abandonment, has been unable to finalize negotiations with Sudbury, and desires to continue to negotiate for interim trail use/rail banking with Sudbury. Therefore, CSXT respectfully requests the Board to grant a six month extension of time to April 7, 2005 to negotiate trail use with Sudbury. Additionally, CSXT respectfully requests an extension of the date to consummate the abandonment to June 7, 2005.

Enclosed are the original and 10 copies of this letter, and a filing fee of \$300. Please time and date stamp the additional copy of this letter and return it with our messenger. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

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Sincerely yours

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